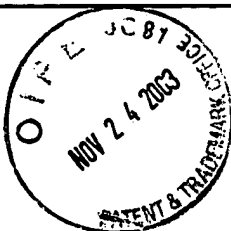


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)
40575-182634



In re Application of Vernon E. STATON et al.

Application Number 09/664,533

Filed September 18, 2000

For DEVICE AND METHOD OF USING EXPLOSIVE FORCES IN A
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ _____
- ☒ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$420.00
- ☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ _____
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ _____
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ _____
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 210.00 .
- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 22-0261 .
- I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☐ attorney or agent of record.

☒ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a): 42,159 .

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November 24, 2003

Date

Signature

Stuart I. Smith

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☒ *Total of 1 forms are submitted.

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